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NH ROUTE 3A FEASIBILITY STUDY BEGINS WITH PUBLIC MEETINGS 18-MONTH LOOK AT HIGHWAY IN BOW, HOOKSETT AND MANCHESTER

An 18-month study on the status and future of NH Route 3A as it passes through the Towns of Bow and Hooksett and the City of Manchester will include public meetings seeking input from interested citizens.

The first of these meetings is scheduled for Thursday, May 13, 2004 at 7:00 PM at the Hooksett Public Library, 1701B Hooksett Road, in Hooksett. Future meetings will also be scheduled in Bow and Manchester.

Among the goals of the study for NH 3A are to improve traveler safety while preserving the communities' identities, examine land use, and provide continuing access to major sites to allow for compatible economic development. The study will also consider and evaluate a range of potential short and long-term improvements to the state highway.